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For: MAINTENANCE LINK USING ACTIVE/STANDBY REQUEST CHANNELS

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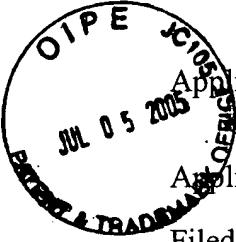
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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 1, 2005 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The claims fee has been calculated as shown below:

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* not fewer than 20
** not fewer than 3

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Respectfully submitted,

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